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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE BLOOMINGTON COMPUTER LITERACY PROGRAM

County of San Bernardino gives \$5,000 to the Bloomington Preservation Foundation

(Bloomington, CA) Fifth District Supervisor Josie Gonzales allocated \$5,000 this week to allow the Bloomington Preservation Foundation to upgrade computers for a training program.

The Board of Supervisors ratified the expenditure this week.

The Foundation will provide computer literacy classes for residents in the original Bloomington Courthouse, located at 18886 Valley Blvd.

"The seniors are the priority, but we want to teach anyone who needs help," said Virginia Geil, founder of the Bloomington Preservation Foundation.

Instructor Randa Lee will hold classes on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. The community is encouraged to come and participate in the classes. The fee is \$6 per class for a four-week course.

Ten computer stations are currently set up to accommodate the students. The \$5,000 allocation will help to purchase 4 new computers and will also be spent for senior student scholarships, DSL service and supplies.

Geil herself is taking a class. "The seniors are just so excited about it. We had no idea we could do it," said Geil who added, "Seniors need that extra attention to realize that computers are our friends."

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